

# THE SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

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HOPKINSVILLE, MAR. 18, 1879.

Andrew Johnson, son of the late ex-President, died at his home in Tennessee on the 12th.

The Democrats held a Congressional caucus in Washington last night, to select a candidate for the speakership of the House.

The Canadian Government has recently increased import duties on nearly every article of farm and home production except tobacco.

32 Fahrenheit and lowering. Don't despair, it's a long time that has not turned in it, and you can finish up that spring poem in time for the early week-end.

In Virginia one cannot vote without presenting his receipt for the State's poll tax. We doubt the constitutionality of the law, in the case of a Presidential election.

The scientific puzzle of the day: To what good use shall we apply the North Pole, when it's found, unless the Devil's advice be taken, to split it up and make our kindling wood?

The political docket: Tilden vs. Thurman, Sherman vs. Grant. Both cases will be called in '80, though circumstantial evidence indicates that a *repeal* will be entered in each.

The brilliant John G. Saxe, author of many unparalleled witticisms, has become deranged; and thus it is seen that effusions of genius are but wind-galls thrown out from a diseased mind.

The indications are that the combined combustibility of fuse, powder, torpedoes, magazines, nitro-glycerine, &c., will fail to blast Dr. Blackburn's chances for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

Queen Victoria contemplates a visit to the Continent during the latter part of March. She hopes to meet the newly wed Duke and Duchess of Connaught, on the Italian lakes near "Philippi," we presume.

There is one law which the people should arise in their might to annul: parliamentary law, the most expensive and nonsensical incubus the American people have to carry on their shoulders, as the Congressional Record doth attest.

"What's in a name? Only six and a half million in that of J. Gould, since the sale of his Union Pacific R. stock. Pardonably trifling, in view of the fact that he has, as yet, failed to consider the propriety of 'parting it in the middle.'"

Since the shocking fact has happened to come under our observation that all pigeons love their toddlers, that off-cock-religious foot of ours has been a source of more botherment to us than the cumbersome silver dollar of our daddies.

We have received the first number of the *Messenger*, a new democratic weekly, edited and published by Mr. O. C. Eilen, at Russellville, Ky. The paper displays both taste and talent and we trust it will be duly appreciated by the good people of Logan.

The new Congress will begin to-day. Cero Gordo Williams will at once take McCree's seat, in the Senate and it is not doubted that he will there reflect the wisdom of a statesman on the record of a soldier, in its bravest, broadest bearing.

The Taxing District, of Memphis as it is called since her divorce of charter, has instituted "gay law," by bodily snatching local editors before the grand jury, to testify against violation of the Sunday law. It turned out however, that "Mum" was the word.

The Kentucky News column, a serio-comic chronicle of curiosities, conundrums and "cassidies," says, "The South Kentuckian is this week just a little too enterprising in the matter of special telegrams," just as though it didn't part the *Courier-Journal* in the middle.

Stanley Matthews states that Hayes did not offer him the Berlin Mission and that "it would not have been accepted if he had," just as if every one considered that he longed to be a stranger in a strange land, in preference to being a *prophet* without honor in his own.

The present called session of Congress will be the seventh in the history of our Government. President Adams called an extra session in 1797, Van Buren in 1837, Harrison in 1841, Pierce in 1856, Lincoln in 1861, Hayes in 1877 and again in 1879. Hayes is the only man who has convened Congress twice in extra session.

It's time for legislative birds to blossom. The blue-bottle bloem, and the violet's sweet scent is smelt in the land. Let the different precincts send in their contributions of candidates for the Legislature and we will take pleasure in giving them as deserving seed as could possibly be expected in view of the reduced rate of sixteen and two-third cents per line.

P.S.—Bring your horse and Jack bills along with you too, we are prepared to do them also at the very lowest rate.

The pure bred Prussian Princess, Louise Margaret, has bridled the fine blooded Briton, Duke of Connaught, and will work him in double harness as long as he proves docile and kind.

The match will doubtless strengthen the ties of friendship between England and the German Confederation.

Mrs. Southworth, after having authorized her fifty ninth novel would be perfectly justifiable in tacking on a fifth maiden name to her present four, were it not for that trifling female precedent of literally producing a discord in E. D. E. N. and incurring an objectionable syntax.

As a matter purely of economy it would have been a good thing for the United States Government if her soldiers wounded in the late war, had all promptly passed to their final homes; but then the consideration of such a small matter is just a trifle penurious, while the Government has such unlimited credit to raise the pitiable sum of only one hundred million to pay back pensions.

"Better to be born luck than rich." (2) Parents should look the matter of "what's in a name?" In selecting, all due respect should be accorded to the list of double *intendres*, in order to obtain a majority report through the columns of the press. Its awfully obscuring on a fellow to have one of those unpublishable names, as Ah Syn-fall Oh-l'-laint.

The *Courier-Journal* has a "story" whizzed across the River concerning a husband and wife, and now, since the utility of a whisper has been clearly demonstrated, however far-fetched, of course the 240 pound woman who climbed unaided steps, up numbered stairways to tell a fresh piece of gossip will sink into a decline, for thus looting her sweat-nose on the now deserted stair.

The average amount to be received by each disabled Union Soldier under the recently passed back Pension Bill will be about \$303. Those few "hewers of wood and drawers of water" who, like the bottom rail in a fence row, have been close to the earth to row, can now flatter themselves that they will be the main stakes of the crooked government, in that they've swallowed the last dollar in the Treasury.

The results of the organization of the new Congress to-day will be looked for with intense interest by all. There are grave fears among the Democrats that an off man will be put in the speaker's chair by the Nationals or Greenbacks, who will hold a balance of power in case four democratic members, who are sick, will be unable to attend the session on its organization. Every precaution has been taken to avoid such a calamity.

Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson in his palmist days, situated in Albemarle county, Virginia, will be sold at auction on Thursday next, 20th inst. It is a fact that of about fifty noted statesmen, poets, orators and generals who possessed beautifully adorned homes in the last century, not more than five estates out of this number remain in the possession of their descendants. And it is a sad chapter to read against the almighty dollar, too.

As will be seen from an associated press dispatch, the Republicans of California, in Mass Convention, have denounced the Hayes administration, for its opposition to the Chinese Immigration Restriction Bill. They say that Hayes' veto of the bill did not represent the views of the Republican party of California. That mass convention was simply holding a jolly good wake over the party corpse after all. See if '80 does not tell the tale.

In these days of sentimental secret societies, mumm societies, K. P. A's, A. O. U. W's, I. O. G. T's, I. O. K. P's, I. O. O. F's, A. O. E. & A. M's, H. A. M. H. D. D. L. D. and so on, wouldn't it be well for the country if some P. K. would organize a philanthropic

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Drs. Robinson and Burrows have been taken to task by Bishop McClosky, of Louisville, for having argued before the Board of Managers of the Louisville House of Refuge the propriety of admitting the Roman Catholic service therein. The two D.'s maintained that the Bishop maintained the Board by asserting that "unless the proposition is agree to, the fifty thousand Roman Catholics of Louisville will see that a Board of managers shall be appointed that will grant it." It is a sad chapter on progressive morality that any unkind feeling should exist between any two sects of God worshippers.

Notoriety is very much to be craved, considering the vanity of all things earthly, but really we should like to go as far for it as our dear, reverend brother Talmage, who, after having exhausted his stock of religious latitudes and departures, bribed, it is supposed, certain ones of his congregation to arraign and to try him on six different charges of falsehood and deceit. Truly an enterprising age, this. Alexander wept for other worlds to conquer, which is the very height of old Talmage, who compared with Talmage, who triggers him self into the clutches of the devil to amuse the world with a half-breed escape.

A recent experiment in Wisconsin has demonstrated the fact that shriveled, bleached and shrunken grains of wheat, weighing not more than forty seven pounds to the bushel and which would be graded on the market as rejected, will germinate with as much certainty and with as satisfactory results as the best sample of No. 1. We have talked with a number of good farmers in this county on the subject and find that at least one half of that number sustain the recent experiment in Wisconsin. Of course the grain referred to should be granted sound and free from sprout. As this is a question of vital importance to the farmers of our county, we should be glad to hear from them on the subject.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has just declared one of its usual, quarterly dividends of 1 1/2 per cent. It is becoming agonizingly fashionable, in these days of shrewd and unprincipled enterprise, for monopolizing stock companies to declare publicly a respectably modest dividend to stock holders, and, in addition, pay privately to them a second prorated amount drawn from the total of net profits. We are gratified to know that Congress will consider the propriety of regulating Telegraphic charges and hope the Western Union Company may be hereafter deprived of this private pleasure of dividing a large secret fund, among its stockholders. Ways that are dark and tricks that are vain should not be supported by legitimate commerce and trade, without reason.

In our last issue we editorially remarked: The Frankfort Yeoman thinks that Mr. J. H. Wilkinson, editor of the *Trigg County Democrat*, will probably go to the Senate in place of Jas. B. Garrett.

We were authorized to make that statement by an editorial paragraph which appeared in the *Yeoman* of March 6th as follows:

Mr. J. H. Wilkinson, editor of the *Trigg County Democrat*, will probably come to the Senate in place of Hon. Jas. B. Garrett. The *Yeoman* now says, after seeing our entire remark, as first above:

"The South Kentuckian is mistaken. Mr. Jas. B. Garrett, the strongest man in the last Senate, and the *Yeoman* is not in favor of his being displaced by anybody. A courteous notice of the candidacy of a brother editor cannot be construed into an opposition to Garrett, who is both a personal and political friend."

We have not misrepresented the *Yeoman's* opinion, as the facts above demonstrate, and we fail to see where in "The South Kentuckian is mistaken." We are glad to see that the *Yeoman* has disclaimed any hostility to Mr. Garrett.

It will be remembered that the *Nashville American* published a few days since an account of Eli Perkins' two visits to Hopkinsville, and in its comic illustration, the sterling qualities of Mr. A. H. Clark, of our city, were carelessly, or thoughtlessly sacrificed for the purpose of rounding the points in the joke, it seemed. The *American* has since very honorably explained the matter as follows:

We regret that the allusion made to Mr. Albert H. Clark, in an account of Eli Perkins' last visit to Hopkinsville, Ky., recently published in the *American*, should have been taken by his friends to have had an offensive application. Mr. Clark is one of the worthiest young members of the Hopkinsville bar, and the gentleman who furnished the incident would have been one of the last to intentionally wound his feelings.

Cerra, Brazil, has been almost depopulated by famine and small pox and a new disease has appeared, which it is feared may be the plague.

The bill punch bill has passed the lower house of the Texas legislature, and it is thought it will go through the senate.

In the Texas senate, Friday, a favorable report was made on the amendment to the constitution prescribing the poll tax as a qualification for suffrage.

A fellow who went crazy because a Missouri belle jilted him, is wandering over Texas with a cow-bell around his neck hunting for another sweet-heart.

A bill before the legislature of Alabama appropriates \$10,000 for the payment of seventy-five dollars each to soldiers who lost an arm or leg in the confederate service.

There are only eight survivors of the famous Palmetto regiment that went to Mexico. It had 1100 men when it left South Carolina. When it returned it had but 223. The gallant Pierce M. Butler was its colonel.

Railroad agents are spreading all sorts of ridiculous reports about the attractiveness of Kansas, in order to induce the negroes to immigrate there. They are creating a perfect furor among the denuded darkeys of many parts of the south.

This census bill as passed by the house provides that the enumeration shall commence on the first Monday in June in 1880, and that the returns shall all be made by the 1st of July. In cities of more than ten thousand inhabitants the count must be completed in two weeks. The president is to report one hundred and fifty supervisors of the census, and the cost of the enumeration is limited to \$300,000, five-sixths of which amount is appropriated by the bill.

A 240 Tax.  
(Marfield Democrat)

In 1874 Congress passed an infamous law requiring the payment of a tax of \$240.00 on every acre of land planted in tobacco, provided it produced one thousand pounds. The Congress which expired on the 4th inst. reduced this tax to \$100.00 or sixteen cents per pound, which insures to the benefit of the farming community, and as a natural sequence, that class is in much better spirits since the removal of the burden which bore so heavily on it and feel like exclaiming all honor to the Democratic Congress.

# TELEGRAPHIC.

BLACKBURN CAN ALMOST READ HIS TITLE CLEAR.

CANTRELL CARRIES SCOTT.

Graves Goes for Tyler.

Smith is the Man for Scott.

Boyd Progressing Steadily.

The Latest Statistics of the Canvass.

SCOTT.

GEORGETOWN, KY., March 17, '79.

The Democracy of Scott convened to-day in obedience to a call of the Chairman of the County Executive Committee. The convention was harmonious and quiet. It was deemed inexpedient to give a full instruction. The only instructions given the delegates to the Louisville Convention were on their choice for:

Gov. Governor—J. E. Cantrell.

Auditor—D. Howard Smith.

GRAVES.

MAYFIELD, KY., March 17, '79.

The convention of this county to instruct delegates to the Louisville convention, was held to-day with the following results:

Governor—Blackburn.

Lieut. Governor—Tyler.

Atty General—Hardin.

Supt. Pub. Instruction—Hodges.

Register—Boyd.

Treasurer—Tate.

LEWIS.

MAYSVILLE, KY., March 18th, '79.

Ed. South Kentuckian:

Lewis county instructed for Governor—Underwood.

Lieut. Governor—Cleveland.

Attorney General—Hardin.

Auditor—Boyd.

Superintendent Instruction—Henderson.

Register—Williams.

THE STATE CANVASS. Corrected from Latest Dispatches.

Governor.

Blackburn 551 Jones 190

Underwood 188 Lindsay 21

Lieutenant Governor.

Cantrell 355 Bowman 34

Whitaker 56 Corbett 32

Davidson 55 Haggard 25

Cleveland 62 Burnett 18

Dawson 63 Murray 14

Hodges 44 Dinkham 12

Tyler 78 Garrett 15

Attorney General.

Hardin 521 Jones 65

Moss 47 Lindsay 4

Cooper 59 Rodman 2

Auditor.

Hewitt 424 Boyd 75

Smith 343 Nuckols 5

Tate 487 Hays 6

Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Henderson 225 Elgar 64

Smith 85 Kirby 19

Pickett 169 Vance 12

Allen 87 Dunn 12

Halsell 95 Hodges 53

Register of Land Office.

Sheldon 165 Brown 26

Maroon 115 Wilson 46

Boyd 161 D. N. Williams 34

W. Williams 65 Gilbert 18

Vories 50 Gilmer 13

Durall 27 Moore 8

It is very shameful the way our public bodies squander the public money, especially the United States Senate.

The pay-roll of the people employed to wait on the Senate amounts to \$150,000, and it takes 150 pages of fine type to enumerate the articles bought for the Senate during one session. Bottles of nuchage by the gross, cologne water by the gallon, ink stands by the dozen, tables, lounges, chairs, revolving book cases, hat-stands, clocks, wash-stands, lockers, blue broadcloth, table covers, &c., &c., &c.—Louisville Democrat.

By a free use of cotton seed manure and deep plowing Governor Drew, of Florida, last year raised 180 bushels of corn on an acre of ground.

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